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The books for the Tabaid Library have arrived.

Bonds Sold to Build Electric Railway

A deal has been closed, it is re-
ported, for the sale of the bonds
of the Parkersburg & Ohio Val-
ley Electric line, and Eastern cap-
italists, as a result, will furnish
the capital with which to com-
plete the line from Williamstown
to Sistersville. Eastern capital-
ists have had representatives here
and it is understood that the rep-
resentatives of one concern took
up the bonds which the company
had prepared to float, and now
there is no question as to the
building of the road.

V. B. Archer, prominently iden-
tified with the line, was seen by a
reporter of the News last night,

but would give no information.
"We understand that the com-
pany has floated its bond."
"I can't tell you anything
about that now," said Mr. Archer.
"Will you confirm the report
that they have been sold?" con-
tinued the reporter.

"I can give you no information
whatever concerning the com-
pany," said Mr. Archer.

As soon as spring opens work
will begin at both ends of the
road and about the center. Men
will work at Friendly on down, at
St. Marys and Williamstown. It
is the intention of the company to
have the road running by the first
of the year.—Parkersburg News.

Two Men Instantly Killed in Gas Explosion

A gas explosion occurred Tues-
day afternoon at Hastings, Wetzel
county, which resulted in the in-
stant death of John McDuffin and
Isaac Conen. The large pumping
station of the Hope Gas company
is located at Hastings, which is
near Pine Grove on the Short Line
railroad, and the unfortunate men
who lost their lives were em-
ployes of the Hope Gas company.

The explosion was caused by a
leak in a 12-inch gas line, which
was 15 feet from the main build-
ing of the pump station. The
two men were in the act of stop-
ping the leak when the explosion
took place. There were 310

pounds pressure on the line at the
time it let go. The men were
blown several hundred yards by
the great force of the escaping
gas, and not a stitch of clothing
was left on their bodies. The
pump station was not damaged
but very little.

John McDuffin, one of the vic-
tims of the fatal explosion, leaves
a widow. He had only been mar-
ried a few months. Isaac Conen
leaves a widow and five children.

The gas pump station at Has-
tings is the largest of the kind in
the world, the equipping of it
having cost several million dol-
lars.

Sudden Death of Con- tractor John Davis

The many friends of John Dav-
is, the senior member of the con-
tracting firm of Davis & Archer,
were greatly shocked last evening
to learn of his death which oc-
curred very suddenly at his home
on Tallman avenue, in Bellaire,
O., at 5 o'clock yesterday after-
noon. The deceased had not been
feeling well for the past few days,
but his illness was not such as to
cause any alarm. Yesterday af-
ternoon he complained of feeling
worse, and after a time acted so
strangely that a physician was

called. He pronounced it a case
of heart failure, and did every-
thing possible to relieve him, but
to no avail, and he succumbed at
the time stated. He is survived
by a wife and two children, who
are heart-broken over his unex-
pected demise, and they have the
sympathy of the community in
their sad bereavement.

Mr. Davis was well-known in
this city. He managed the Mer-
cer Hotel here, paved some of the
streets, macadamized the turnpike
and cemetery Hill road, and was a
brother of Mrs. Dan Wallace.

Petitions Out Against the Maxwell Bill

It is stated on good authority
that attorneys and other agents
of the Standard Oil company are
busy among the farmers of this
and all the counties of the State
that have gas circulating petitions
and getting the farmers to sign
them against the passage of the
Maxwell bill in the Legislature,
which has for its purpose the pre-
vention of the waste of gas as well
as to restrict its exportation from
the State. It is said they are
meeting with some success, owing

to the fact that they have made
the farmers believe that rentals
will cease and operations stop, in
the event the bill becomes a law.
But there are many who refuse to
sign the petitions, because they
do not believe the Standard will
give up their hold on one of
West Virginia's most valuable
natural resources. We advise all
our readers not to sign the peti-
tion, but to unite and urge Hill,
Parks and Smith to vote for the
bill.

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